A Department of the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts

Minutes for the Meeting of May 1, 2013

Board Members present: Mertin Betts (chair), Lucy Murray-Brown, Laurance Kimbrough

City Staff present: Executive Secretary Brian Corr, Deputy Supt. DeMarco, Project & Outreach Coordinator, V. Muna Kangsen

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM.

Review and approval of minutes from the February 27, 2013 meeting:

Board member Kimbrough moved that the Board accept the minutes from the meeting of February 27, 2013. Board Member Murray-Brown seconded the motion and the motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

Executive Secretary's Report:

Executive Secretary Corr said he had been involved in planning a number of community responses to the Boston Marathon bombings as a member of the community response network. With regards to hosting the NACOLE Conference in Cambridge, Corr informed the Board that he had been in contact with hotels in the area to inquire about, and that hosting the conference in Cambridge was more than NACOLE could afford. Corr also informed the Board that there are discussions about forming a regional organization of civilian oversight agencies in the northeast, and that Cambridge could host a regional gathering in the future. Corr also informed the Board that budget hearings will be held on May 9, 2013.

Professional Standards Report:

Deputy Superintendent DeMarco said the outpouring of support for the Cambridge Police since the Boston Marathon bombings had been exceptional. DeMarco said that since the bombing, the Department has received food and flowers from the community and that CPD was very appreciative of these gestures. DeMarco said that the thoughts and prayers of the Department remained with the victims of the bombings and the first responders who assisted them. DeMarco said that he will introduce Emily, a new member of the PSU staff, to the Board at the next meeting.

Consideration of Complaints before the Board:

Board Member Murray-Brown moved for the Board to go into executive session pursuant to M.G.L. chap. 39, s.23B (2). The motion was seconded by Board Member Kimbrough and approved by unanimous vote.

Adjournment:

Board Member Kimbrough moved that the Board adjourn. Board Member Murray-Brown seconded the motion and the motion was adopted by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M after the executive session.